

CLAIMS

1) Wind machine mounted on a vertical mast (2) and having
a wind-driven turbine (1) which is fitted with blades (6)
5 mounted on a large-diameter hub (7) with a horizontal
axis, and an alternator co-operating with the turbine (1)
to generate electrical power and which is provided on the
one hand with a magnetic rotor (4) fixed to the hub (7),
preferably on a level with the maximum available
10 diameter, and on the other hand a magnetic coil stator
(5) adjacent to the rotor (4) and secured to a stationary
frame (22) joined to an encircling hood (9) extending the
hub (7) coaxially to form a streamlined casing in which
the alternator is housed,
15 characterised in that
the upstream part of the hood is extended by an
aerodynamic nose (20) joined therewith in rotation which
preferably shrouds the bases of the blades (6) and its
downstream part is extended by the stationary encircling
20 hood (22) joined to the stator (5).

2) Wind machine as claimed in claim 1,
characterised in that
the rotating hub (7) has a bell-shaped element (17), the
25 downstream part (21) of which having the larger diameter
contiguous with the hood (9) is fitted with the rotor (4)
and the upstream part of which retains the bases of the
blades.

30 3) Wind machine as claimed in any one of claims 1 and 2,
characterised in that

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the aerodynamic nose (20) is provided with a wind inlet orifice (35) communicating, on the one hand, with a water-separating enclosure (37) and, on the other hand, with ducts (38, 39) for guiding air cooling the electric power circuits.

4) Wind machine as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3, characterised in that at its upstream end contiguous with the rotating hub (7), the hood (9) is extended by a gutter (40) penetrating the interior of the latter to collect rain water.

5) Wind machine mounted on a vertical mast (2) and having a wind-driven turbine (1) which is fitted with blades (6) mounted on a large-diameter hub (7) with a horizontal axis, and an alternator co-operating with the turbine (1) to generate electrical power and which is provided on the one hand with a magnetic rotor (4) secured to the hub (7), preferably on a level with the maximum available diameter, and on the other hand a magnetic coil stator (5) adjacent to the rotor (4) and secured to a stationary frame (22) joined to an encircling hood (9) extending the hub (7) coaxially to form a streamlined casing in which the alternator is housed,

characterised in that the internal part of the hub (7) is provided with a flat ring (23) having a horizontal axis coinciding with the axis of rotation, the lateral faces (25, 25') and/or the internal (26) or external (57) peripheral edge of which co-operate with groups of runner wheels (27, 29, 29') having fixed shafts joined to the frame (22) to define a

retaining and guide rail during rotation.

6) Wind machine as claimed in claim 5,
characterised in that

5 the flat ring (23) co-operates with braking means (31) of
the disk brake type disposed between the groups of wheels
(27, 29, 29').

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10 7) Wind machine as claimed in any one of claims 5 and 6,
characterised in that
the upstream end of the hood (9) contiguous with the
rotating hub (7) is extended by a gutter (40) penetrating
the interior thereof for collecting rain water.

15 8) Wind machine mounted on a vertical mast (2) and having
a wind-driven turbine (1) which is fitted with blades (6)
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axis, and an alternator co-operating with the turbine (1)
to generate electrical power and which is provided on the
20 one hand with a magnetic rotor (4) secured to the hub
(7), preferably on a level with the maximum available
diameter, and on the other hand a magnetic coil stator
(5) adjacent to the rotor (4) and secured to a stationary
frame (22) joined to an encircling hood (9) extending the
25 hub (7) coaxially to form a streamlined casing in which
the alternator is housed,
characterised in that
the ends (55) of the blades (6) are shrouded by a
relatively short, divergent, circular fairing (8),
30 mounted integrally therewith and concentrically with the
hub (7).

9) Wind machine mounted on a vertical mast (2) and having
a wind-driven turbine (1) which is fitted with blades (6)
mounted on a large-diameter hub (7) with a horizontal
5 axis, and an alternator co-operating with the turbine (1)
to generate electrical power and which is provided on the
one hand with a magnetic rotor (4) secured to the hub
(7), preferably on a level with the maximum available
10 diameter, and on the other hand a magnetic coil stator
(5) adjacent to the rotor (4) and secured to a stationary
frame (22) joined to an encircling hood (9) extending the
hub (7) coaxially to form a streamlined casing in which
the alternator is housed,
characterised in that
15 the blades (6) are shrouded in the vicinity of their ends
(55) by a relatively short, divergent, circular fairing
(8) mounted concentrically with the hub (7) and
comprising a stationary element mounted on arms (41)
joined to the frame (22) and co-operating with the ends
20 (55) of the blades (6) at a slight clearance therefrom.

10) Wind machine as claimed in claim 9,
characterised in that
the fairing (8) has a rounded leading edge (44) followed
25 by a thick fairing (45) and a divergent, thin trailing
edge (46).

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having a wind-driven turbine (1) which is fitted with
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